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Invention: VALVE PACKING REMOVAL DEVICE

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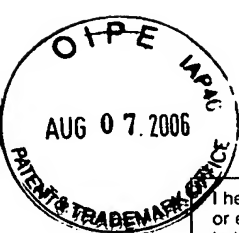
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action mailed May 3, 2006, Applicant submits the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** is reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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